

	2nd Sunday of Advent	Mass Intentions
Saturday 8th December	10.00am Our Lady of Ransom Confessions : 9.00-10am (Christ the King) 5.00pm Christ the King	James & Emma Moulding RIP
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Sunday 9th December	9.30am St Joachim 11.30am Christ the King 4.00pm St Agnes	Steve Short (ill)
Monday 10th December	10.00am Christ the King 12 noon Our Lady of Ransom 7.30pm Our Lady of Ransom	
Tuesday 11th December	7.30am Christ the King 10.00 am St Agnes 12 noon Our Lady of Ransom	Latin Mass
Wednesday 12th December	10.00am St Joachim 12.00 Our Lady of Ransom	Holy Souls
Thursday 13th December St Lucy	7.00pm Christ the King 8.00pm Christ the King	Exposition Mass
Friday 14th December St John of the Cross	12.00 Christ the King	Geoff Hinspeter & family
Saturday 15th December	10.00am Our Lady of Ransom Confessions - Christ the King : 9-10am 5pm Christ the King	Jack & Anne Edwards & family (RIP)
Sunday 16th December 4th Sunday of Advent	9.30 am St Joachim 11.30am Christ the King 4.00pm St Agnes	Elza Fiorese (RIP) McCarthy family in thanksgiving



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Sacramental Confession on Saturday 9-10am as well as either before or after most Masses; please ask Fr Neil or Fr Thomas

For enquiries for baptism, first communion, confirmation, and marriages please speak to either Fr Neil, Fr Thomas or Deacon Eugene and also ring the office.

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3rd Sunday of Advent . Yr C

Readings at Mass:

Response to the psalm : Baruch 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-11; Luke 3:1-6

What marvels the Lord worked for us, indeed we were glad!

Dear friends,

Some of you may be familiar with the writings of the Jesuit priest Alfred Delp SJ (1907-1945) who was executed for his resistance to the Nazi regime.

Fr Delp was a fierce critic of Nazi Germany and he used his position as a priest to secretly help many Jews to escape to Switzerland.

In 1944 along with others he was arrested after the attempted assassination of Hitler of which he knew nothing. After a brutal treatment and torture, he was brought to trial by the Gestapo who decided to hang him for high treason.

Delp was offered his freedom if he would renounce the Jesuits but he refused and was hanged on 2nd February 1945. While imprisoned, Fr Delp produced some wonderful writings least of which are his 'Advent Writings' which are inspirational and quite profound showing his deep understanding of mankind and his need for God's grace in our lives

In today's gospel we are introduced to another remarkable man in John the Baptist who was chosen to announce the coming of Jesus: the Messiah, the Christ, the Saviour King. He called others to prepare the way for the Lord by a baptism of repentance.

Like Fr Delp, John accepted his mission in his short life to serve God and died for beliefs.

Advent invites us to repent by dying to ourselves so that we can allow God to dwell in us and for us to dwell in Him. To do this we must try this Sunday to empty ourselves fold our hands and kneel humbly before God in order that his salvation may be active in us and that we may be touched by his presence

Blessings,

Next Sunday's Readings : (Year C) Zeph 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7;

200 Club

Supports the work of **Sisters of Mercy at Mutomo Hospital, in Kenya, and The Infant Jesus Sisters School in Nigeria.**

August

- 197. Marie Williams
- 77. Colm Muldoon
- 118. George Gibson
- 164. John Carmody

September

- 107. John Truman
- 31. Justyna Simpson
- 196 Angela Rawlinson
- 171. Deane Smith

October

- 17. M.P. Farrant
- 170. Parish
- 67. J.A. Rhys
- 15. Audrey Shadbolt

Banking Matters

For parishioners who would like to set up a monthly standing order with their bank to cover their regular offertory to the Parish our bank details are:

CTK - Sort Code:
40-05-20 Account No:
91127012

St. Joachim's - Sort
Code: 40-05-20 Account
No: 51077058.

People we have been asked to pray for:



At Home: John Y, Chris G, Mary B, Pat Q, Don W, Roy D, Mary B, Thelma K, Stuart Mc. John W, Vincent E.

Those ill: James D, Helena S, Peter S, Frankie F, Daisy K, Sue + Mick O'D, Eddie B, Rene C, Jan B, Mary B, Philip & Helga E, Gill C, Katharine N,

In Hospital/Hospice:

Sandra Mc, David D, Sheila D, Eileen K.

Those who have died :

Due to new Data Protection (GDPR) we cannot now put full names of the living on the newsletter if it reveals sensitive information.

Parish Annual Pantomime: The Trinity Players proudly present "Cinderella". Performances on Saturday 26th January at 7pm and Sunday 27th January at 3pm. Tickets £4. This is a popular event so reserve your tickets asap. Contact Frank on 01323-655605 or f.hennelly@sky.com.

Advent lunches. There will be Advent lunches on 14th and 21st December after the 12.00 Mass.

Bereavement Support

Our Parish now has in place a Bereavement Support facility led by Lauren Henty a parishioner at St. Joachim's. This initiative has been encouraged by our Diocese who have provided the appropriate training to Parishes to set up and run such a facility. The service is free and totally confidential. Lauren can be contacted via the Parish Office.

'A Festive Noel.'

A Christmas Concert featuring Polyphony Voices in Harmony at St. Saviour's Church, South Street, on 16th December at 7.45pm. Tickets £5.50. See poster at the back of the Church. Proceeds to the Eastbourne Blind Society.

Hospital Patients and Visitors : If you are going into hospital and would like a chaplain visit before or during your stay, please contact one of the parish clergy, or phone the hospital chaplaincy - 01323.417400, ex 4145.

Offertory :

CTK : £383.18
St Joachim : £150.27

Average Weekly Standing Orders :

Christ the King : £180
St Joachim's : £172

Mass Attendance :

CTK : 247
St Jo's : 88
Many thanks!

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Joachim :

Wednesdays 9.00am to 10.00am.

Christ the King :

Thursday 7.00pm - 8.00pm

Fridays 1.00pm - 7.00pm

Sat : 9.00am -10.00am

Advent Reconciliation Service

We will be holding a reconciliation service at CTK on Friday 21st December at 7.30pm. **Please note change of date.** There is no better way to prepare for the Lord than through confession.

Confirmation Candidates 2019

Those year 10's who wish to be confirmed in Summer 2019 need to speak to Fr Neil, Fr Thomas or Deacon Eugene. Anyone else wishing to join the Catholic Church also speak to one of the ministers

Parish Diaries for 2019 are available at the back go the Church. Suggested donation £1.

Music practise. There will be a music practise at 10.30am on December 9th at CTK for Advent and Christmas music. New singers and musicians welcome.

Parish Social Events :

PARISH CHRISTMAS HAMPER DRAW

Tickets £1 a strip. Tickets on Sale at every Mass from 24th/25th Nov till 1st/2nd Dec. The draw will take place after 11.30am Mass on 9th Dec.

PARISH CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY :

this Sun 9th Dec. after 11.30am Mass in CTK parish hall.

Parish Christmas lunch at the Smugglers Inn will

take place on Dec 20th. Menus are available at the back of the church.

Advent Small Groups continue this Monday, Dec 10th, after the 10am Mass with tea and coffee in the parish room. We will be reflecting upon the 3rd part of the Lord's Prayer.

Wk 3: thy kingdom come

Wk 4: thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Altar Servers

On the Feast of Epiphany of the Lord, Sunday January 6th 2019 a gathering will be held in the Parish Room at Christ the King Church after the 11.30 a.m. Mass for ALL our altar servers.

It's the Parish's way of thanking our servers for their ministry at Mass. Please let Fr. Neil or Deacon Eugene know if you can attend.

Christmas Mass Times:

24th December

4.30pm Children's Nativity - CTK
6.00pm Children's Nativity - St Jo's
6.20pm First Mass of Christmas - St Jo's
9.00pm First Mass of Christmas - CTK
11.30pm Midnight Mass (Divine Worship) - CTK

25th December

10.00am Family Mass of Christmas - St Jo's
11.00am Family Mass of Christmas - CTK

Used stamps. Please donate your used postage stamps to support Cancer Research. Place in the box at the back of the Church.

